

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. JONES of North Carolina addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. CONAWAY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. CONAWAY. Mr. Speaker, Monday, April 23 of this year marked the beginning of Small Business Week, honoring small business owners and their employees for their dedication and hard work that has helped to ensure that this Nation continues to remain a strong leader in the global economy.

This week, we celebrate their countless hours, their commitment to their families, communities and our Nation. The 11th district of Texas boasts a large number of successful small businesses and, combined, they have labored extraordinarily to establish themselves as a backbone of our economy. They have provided numerous jobs, endless opportunities, and sustained economic growth.

Mathis Field Cafe in San Angelo, Texas, is one of the small businesses that I am proud to represent in Washington. Mathis Field Cafe employs 26 people, specializing in serving authentic Chinese cuisine. It was founded by two Chinese immigrants in 1988, Sam and Rose Ng, who are now United States citizens running this very successful small business.

It is small establishments like this one in the 11th District of Texas that I proudly represent and that I want to honor and thank for their tireless efforts day in and day out. Steady pro-economic and pro-business policies encourage job growth and allow our small businesses to thrive. I expect to see cafe and other small businesses in District 11 reap the benefits of our strong economy and give back. This week we honor all small businesses alike.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Oregon (Mr. DEFAZIO) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. DEFAZIO addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

IN MEMORY OF SERGEANT WILLIAM W. BUSHNELL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of a fallen Arkansas hero, in fact, a true American hero, SGT William W. Bushnell of Jasper, Arkansas.

Sergeant Bushnell was a member of the 1st Cavalry at Fort Bliss. Sadly, he died from his wounds this past Saturday after his vehicle was hit by a rocket-propelled grenade.

Sergeant Bushnell's father, Wesley, told the Associated Press, "Billy served proudly in the airborne infantry. That's what he wanted to do when he joined and proud to do it. His shoulder was hurt a while back, and he went to a hospital in Kuwait. All he could think about was getting back in with his comrades in Baghdad."

This is the type of commitment towards others we can be so very proud of, to his fellow soldiers and commitment to his country.

My prayers, the prayers of my family, and the prayers of Arkansas are with the Bushnell family. I humbly offer my thanks to Sergeant Bushnell for his selfless service to the security and well-being of all Americans.

IN MEMORY OF ROSCOE LEE BROWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Ms. WATSON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. WATSON. Mr. Speaker, it is with great sadness and a deep sense of loss that we received the word of the passing of Roscoe Lee Brown on April 11, 2007. Mr. BROWN was a distinguished Californian whose deeds and life merit the grateful acknowledgment of his community, his State, the Nation and the world.

Roscoe was born on May 2, 1925, in Woodbury, New Jersey. He graduated from Lincoln University in Pennsylvania in 1946, earned his post-graduate degree at Middlebury College, and did graduate studies at Columbia University.

In college, Roscoe was also a star athlete, winning the world championship in the 800 meters in 1951. After finishing his college and post-graduate career, Roscoe returned to Lincoln, where he taught French and comparative literature.

At a dinner party in 1956, Roscoe announced his decision to become an actor, auditioned for and won a role in Julius Caesar the next day at the newly formed New York Shakespeare Festival, and found his life-long artistic passion, performing five more roles with that company.

In 1961, Roscoe appeared with James Earl Jones in the original off-Broadway cast of Jean Genet's landmark play, "The Blacks." He won an Obie for his role in "The Old Glory," received the Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle Award for both "The Dream on Monkey Mountain" in 1970, and "Joe Turner's Come and Gone" in 1989.

He wrote and directed "An Evening of Negro Poetry and Folk Music," 1966, returned to Broadway in Tommy Tune's 1983 "Kicking the Clouds Away," and earned a Tony nomination in August Wilson's "Two Trains Running." That was 1992.

In 1962, Roscoe made his debut in films, appearing in "The Connection." He has also appeared in "The Comedians" in 1967; "Up Tight!" in 1968, Hitchcock's "Topaz" in 1969, "The Liberation of L.B. Jones," "Superfly," "Uptown Saturday Night," "Logan's Run," "Legal Eagles," "The Mambo Kings" and "Dear God."

Roscoe's television career included memorable appearances on all the top 1970 sitcoms, including "All in the Family," "Maude," "Sanford and Son," "Good Times," and "Barney Miller." He replaced Robert Guillaume on "Soap," and in 1986 he won an Emmy guesting on "The Cosby Show."

His resonant baritone was heard in documentaries, live-action fare and animated films, as well as the spoken-word arena with such symphony orchestras as the Boston Pops and the Los Angeles Philharmonic. For many years he and actor Anthony Zerbe toured the United States in "Behind the Broken Words," an evening of poetry and dramatic readings.

Roscoe Lee Brown was a person of exceptional talent and accomplishments. He was among the first generation of African-American actors who sought to ply their craft during a period that rarely acknowledged or provided opportunity to persons of color.

It can truly be said that the Denzel Washingtons and other younger black actors in movies and television stood on the backs of giants like Roscoe Lee Brown, who blazed a trail for them through perseverance, hard work, and uncommon displays of exceptional talent.

May he rest in peace.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Ms. JACKSON-LEE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. TIM MURPHY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

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A SAD AND SOBERING DAY FOR AMERICA

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. CLARKE). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. PRICE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. Madam Speaker, this is a sobering and sad day for America and for the House of Representatives. The Iraq supplemental war bill came to the floor this evening. It is a bill where the President had requested the resources of the American